

City Manager Comments
June 15, 2009 Regular Council Meeting

Brandon Parker, in the Water & Sewer Department, successfully passed his Water Operator's exam and is now a certified operator. Good job, Brandon.

We received notice last week of the receipt of another couple of small grants from DNRC and DEQ. The \$10,000 grant will be used to take a field trip to look at some advanced sewer treatment systems and talk to the operators, get some background on those systems in preparation for an upgrade to our own. The \$5,000 grant will be used to exhaustively test the discharge from the existing eleven storm discharges into the Lake and River, so we have a baseline data point on that issue.

The preliminary budget will be available at City Hall and on the City's website starting Thursday next, June 18.

We're in the process of refining the engineering RFP for the reservoir projects. That process will take a couple of months.

The Council's approval of executing the approximately \$94K, the City's share from House Bill 645, will probably allow us to replace the mains in all ten alleys in the Riverside Addition. We plan to put as many people to work as we can. Also, we think we'll be able to put a nice gravel mat down when the work is over, which'll work an improvement on those alleyways.